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Sir:

On August 27, 2001, Applicant's attorney claimed Small Entity Status on behalf of the inventor(s) and the assignee of record in the above-identified application. Subsequently it was determined that the small entity status may not be

proper, so in an abundance of caution applicant hereby wishes to withdraw said claim for small entity status. Enclosed is a check for \$609, which is the difference in the filing fee between small entity and a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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